DISCUSSING COLLECTIONS.

NEW-YORK BANKS. The Merchants' Association yesterday began its second spring convention for merchants living in what is known as the Central Passenger Association territory, which includes the section of the country west of Buffalo, Pittsburg, Wheeling, W. Va., to Chicago and St. Lovis, running south to the Ohio River and Washington and Balti-mere, and extending north into Canada. The convention will extend over the present week. Papers will be rend at the meetings by prominent business men of the city. A large number of non-resident members from the West visited the rooms of the association yesterday to register their of the association yesterday to register their names and to listen to the first address, which was made by Alvah H. Trowbridge, vice-president of National Bank of North America, on the sub-

Mr. Trowbridge said, among other things: "There may be circumstances under which a merchant in New-York will sell goods to a party residing at some outlying point and agree to bear the expense of remitting for the bill. The custom, however, is that, for goods sold, merchants here receive checks on every imaginable point, from the St. Lawrence to the Gulf, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Checks on out-of-town banks in the aggregate amount to a very large sum to be collected, and the cost of collecting it should be a charge against the price of the goods sold. The question here arises: Is this a charge against the goods sold? Does the merchant stand the cost of transacting his own business? The membership of this asso-ciation comprises a considerable number of banks. Speaking from the standpoint of these institutions, I am enabled to say that many merchants do not expect to stand the cost of collecting their country checks, but do expect the banks to do it for them without charge. This may do very well in a small way, and very many banks would not object to obliging their depositors even at the expense neces-sary to collect a few checks, but the business has come to such proportions that, seeing the banks one to such proposaltile husiness and can derive are not in the mercantile husiness and can derive no profit from the selling of goods. I think they

to speak of it, but it may be cured so easily, the wonder is that it has been allowed to run so long. The merchant invoices goods at 'cash,' 'cash thirty days or four months,' as the case may be.
Why not say 'cash in New-York'? Does your Boswhy not say 'cash in New-York'? Does your Boston, or Lowell, or London, or Paris, or Manchester creditor allow you to send him a check on Port Chester or New-Haven, or even Chicago or New-York? Why don't you make him take them, as I have been told by merchants their country debtors make them take anything, and they are glad to get what they can? Why can a merchant in the country make you take what you cannot compel your creditor to take? Or, if you are willing to take his country checks, why not pay the cost of collecting it, instead of loading the bank with the unprofitable part of the business of selling goods?

At the close of the address the subject was discussed by the members present, and a vote of chanks was passed to Mr. Trowbridge, Further meetings will be held during the week, taking meetings will be delivered by Robert C. Ogden, of the dress will be delivered by Robert C. Ogden, of the firm of John Wanamaker, on "Advertising as a Thurber will deliver an address on "Our Transportation System."

H. H. ROGERS AND OTHERS DEFENDANTS IN SUIT GROWING OUT OF THE BROOKLYN GAS CONSOLIDATION.

heard argument and reserved decision upon a de heard argument and reserved decision upon a de-murrer raised by Jean G. Moore, Grant B. Schley, William H. Duff, Eliverton R. Chapman, Henry G. Timmerman, Henry H. Rogers, William Rocke-feller and Herran H. Campbell, being all the de-fendants, with the exception of E. C. Benedlet, in the suit brought against them by William J. Logan the suit brought against them by William J. Logan arising out of the consolidation of the different Brooklyn gas companies. Logan's complaint was demurred to some time ago by Mr. Benedlet, who has a suit pending in the United States Circuit; Court against Logan and other defendants in Logan's suit. Both Mr. Logan and Mr. Benedlet Logan's suit. Both Mr. Logan and Mr. Benedict contend that the purchase of the controlling in-terest in the Williamsburg Gas Company was brought about by them, and they say that they have not been dealt with fairly by the syndicate which was formed to acquire possession of the gas

stock of the various gas companies in Brooklyn. which comprised the Williamsburg Gas Company, the Brooklyn Gas Company, the Nassau Gaslight Company of the City of Brooklyn, the People's Gaslight Company, the Metropolitan Gaslight Company of Brooklyn, the Citizens' Gaslight Company Company. The arrangements for the purchases were begun by Messrs. Rockefeller and Rogers,

through the firm of Moore & Schley. Logan says that he and his brother, Frank J. Logan, were at the time engaged in the erection of gas plants, and owned 1,006 shares of stock in the and Rogers, the plaintiff says that he and his brother and John Gribbel begin to purchase the stock, with a view to their protection in the event of a consolidation. These purchases were made through the brokerage firms of C. W. Turner & Co. and Asiel & Co., and Lake shares were purchased. In addition, Charles Rowland placed 223 shares owned by him at the disposal of the plaintiff. Gribbel acquired 637 shares, and the plaintiff also held an option on 938 shares, held by Charles W. Hodgett, making a total of 5.20 shares. The defendant, Benedict, acquired 1500 shares of stock, sold by the Phenix Insurance Company of Brooklyn, which Logan says were to come into the amount of stock under his control. This gave him control over 6.02 shares, being more than one-third of the capital stock of the Williamsburg company, two-thirds being necessary to carry the proposition for the consolidation, And that he subsequently secured options on between 2.00 and 3.00 other shares. He alleges that he had various interviews with the defendant Rogers and that Mr. Rogers promised that he would be fairly dealt with in the event of consolidation. The defendant, Moore, in the interest of himself and the defendants Rogers and Rockefeller offered to purchase the stock controlled by him at \$275 for every \$100 worth of stock at par value, but this offer Logan says he declined, as he considered the stock worth \$400 for every \$100. On the strength of the promises made by Mr. Rogers he says that he delivered his stock to Moore & Schley. His proportion of the stock was estimated as worth \$65000 by the syndicate after the consolidation had been agreed upon, but he refused to accept any such price.

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The plan of consolidation adopted eventually by the syndicate was to form a new company, known as the Brooklyn Union Gas Company, which issued its stock of \$15.00.000 in exchange for that of the companies abserted by it. The percentage of the stock of the Williamsburg company was, Logan says, 25 per cent of the total, and each stockholder was to surrender his stock and receive in exchange for each \$50 share stock in the new company of the per value of \$157.50 and bonds of the per value of \$157.50 and \$157.50 a

Logan says that if he had retained his stock, instead of turning it over to Moore & Schley, he would have received that price, but that Moore & Schley, he would have received that price, but that Moore & Schley contended that his proposition would only be at the rate of \$125 for each \$100 worth of stock. This price, he says, he refused, on the ground that it was madequate, and adds that he was treated with gross injustice by the defendant Rogers and his associates and Moore & Schley, and that instead of making a profit he has actually suffered a loss of over 18.700.

Simpson, Thacher & Barnum appeared in support of the demurrer, and W. B. Hornblower for the plainting

COAL COMPANY INCREASES WAGES. Coal and Iron Company issued a circular to-day giving notice that on April 1 it would increase the wages of its twelve hundred miners 10 per cent, and to-day increased the wages of all other employes it per cent. The company is running night and day end is behind with orders. The only idle furnace was started last week.

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HARD TO GET AN APPROPRIATION.

GETHER IN FAVOR OF SPENDING THE CITY'S MONEY FOR A

CELEBRATION. Many Tammany politicians were in the Council Chamber in the City Hall yesterday afternoon when there was a hearing before the joint Finance Committee of the Municipal Assembly upon the resolution to appropriate \$0.00 of the city's money to aid in the celebration of Charter Day. The Tammany men are anxious to have the appropriation made, and Richard Croker is understood to have Municipal Assembly, but members from Brooklyn, Queens and Richmond have declared their objection to spending so much money in a celebration in Manhattan when there is not money enough to light the streets in the other boroughs properly. As a four-fifths vote is necessary to carry an appropriation of money for the celebration it is doubtful if the Municipal Assembly can make the appropriation on account of the opposition of the Councilmen and Aldermen who live in the other

The Charter Day Celebration Committee ap-pointed by the Mayor had a meeting in the chamber of the Board of Aldermen before the public hearing yesterday afternoon, and decided to attend the hearing, and nearly one hundred members were present. The treasurer of the committee reported hat about \$20,000 had been raised by voluntary subscriptions for the celebration. The men who have subscribed \$1,000 each are Richard Croker, C. P. Huntington, August Belmont, Charles R. Fifnt and George C. Boldt

boroughs.

At the hearing, ex-Mayor Whitney of Brooklyn said he was in favor of the celebration, but was opposed to delving into the city treasury to pay for it. "It seems to me," he said, "that if we want the celebration we ought to raise the money by sub-

Councilman Leich said: "They made an appropriation for the Columbus celebration in Brooklyn, and four-fifths of those connected with it were in-

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"I am familiar with that, but President Grout should remember that at the first meeting of the committee it was promised, and the promise was accentuated by the Mayor, that the expenses of the celebration should be borne by private subscription," said Councilman Leich.

"I have heard the Mayor, and have talked with him since and I want to say that he has never said anything to stultify himself in the manner sugested by Councilman Leich," said Colonel John J. Garnett.

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Speeches in favor of voting money for the celebration were made by ex-Mayor Boody of Brooklyn. Edward Lauterbach and several other members of the Charter Day Celebration Committee. Mr. Lauterbach made a partison appeal to members of the Municipal Assembly to vote for the resolution, saying: "Republicans of the Council and Board of Aldermen, unite on this resolution. Your party in Albany brought about consolidation, gave birth to Greater New-York. Do not, I beg of you, degrade the action of your party." C. C. Shayne, a member of the committee, said he would be one of 100 to subscribe 10 0each for the celebration, if the money was not appropriated by the Municipal Assembly.

sembly.

It is expected that majority and minority reports on the resolution will be made to the Council and Board of Aldermen to-day, and there may be some lively discussion before the vote is taken on the resolution.

REDUCING CUSTOM HOUSE EXPENSES.

THIRTEEN EMPLOYES REMOVED AND THE SALA-RIES OF FOUR OTHERS REDUCED.

It was announced yesterday that the reductions in the expenses of the Custom House would go into effect after the close of business to-day. Four reductions and thirteen removals, involving a saving of \$17,150 annually, were made. Of the men re-moved all but one, Charles H. Owen, are Democrats. Isaac Trimble, an opener and packer, who is known in the Custom House as "the prehisvice, was among those dismissed from office. The names of those whose salarles have been cut and

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LOCAL BUSINESS COMPLICATIONS.

The Sheriff yesterday received an attachment against William Sheehan, milk shipper, of Chester, Orange County, N. Y., for \$900, in favor of Ahner W. Stevens, of the same place, on a note. It was obtained on the ground that Mr. Sheehan had left town owing a great deal of money. On March 10 there was filed a bill of sale dated January 9, 1884. for \$1,000, for a large part of his personal property, which was given to his wife, but it is alleged that which was given to his wife, but it is alleged that she said she does not know his whereabouts. On May 28, 1897, he gave a chaitel mortgage for 2500 to Frank W. Rumsey, covering fifty cows and four horses, and it is alleged that now he has only forty cows with which to pay this. The Sheriff served this attachment on persons here to attach accounts, but they asserted that nothing was due him, and all they had were a few milkcans of his.

Schedules of Cole & Williams, manufacturers of plush and celluloid cases and novelties at No. 478 to 482 Broadway, filed by Frederick C. Anderson, the assignee, show liabilities of \$24.163; nominal assets, \$26.433, and actual assets, \$7.04.

Deputy-Sheriff Radley received an execution yesterday against Alter Jorisch, dealer in jewelry at No. 25 Orchard-st., for \$38, in favor of Louis Berney.

Transcripts of judgments from Chautauqua County were filed here yesterday against Carl W Schooleld, for \$29.647 John A. Waterhouse, \$16,161 Hyait M. Waterhouse, \$11,217, and Horace P. Per-rin, \$2,194, all in favor of the Lake Shore National Bank.

BROOKLYN ELEVATED BONDS SOLD. The Sheriff's auctioneer, James P. Silo, sold yesterday the \$1,100,000 bonds of the Seaside Road, which is a part of the Brooklyn Elevated Road now under reorganization. The sale was held at now under reorganization. The sale was held at the instance of the Reorganization Committee, which got a judgment some time ago. The bonds were aftered in a parcel of twelve lots, no one of which brought over \$255. All the bonds were bid in by the plaintiff for a total of \$947.

OPERATORS AND MINERS SETTLE PRICES. Chicago, March 14.-The coal operators and minera of Illinois held a meeting here to-day to arrange the details of the contract, in accordance with the agreement reached at Springfield two weeks ago. The question of powder prices was settled by fixing The question of powder prices was settled by fixing the price at \$1.75 a kes, with the understanding that if the price is reduced in Indiana it will be reduced in Illinois. A committee consisting of H. M. Taylor and A. J. Moorehead, representing the operators, and W. G. Ryan and John Pascoe, representing the miners, was appointed to draw up the form of contract. The price to be paid ranges from \$5 to 65 cents a ton, being based on 40 cents at Danville.

ADDITIONAL CITY APPOINTMENTS.

W. H. Schott, of No. 1.873 Washington-ave, was appointed Deputy Auditor for The Bronx yesterday by Controller Coler. The salary will be \$2.59.

Byly-cater C. Murphy, of No. 71 East Ninety-third-st, was appointed Superintendent of Buildings in the Building Department. He was sworn in by the Mayor. The salary is not fixed yes.

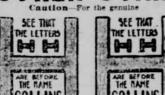
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NEWS FOR THE GOLFERS.

ISLAND CRICKET CLUB-BALTUS-ROL'S NEW OFFICERS.

The Yale golf team has accepted a challenge to a number of local clubs during the early weeks of the season. Although there is as yet no university links in New-Haven ample facilities for practice are afforded by the grounds of the New-Haven Golf Club, on Prespect-st. not far from the college campus. Plans have recently been submitted for a new clubhouse for that organization, and action will be taken upon them at the next meeting of the directors. The building will cost about \$1.000. The membership of the club is now over two hundred. Negotiations are also in progress for a new golf club at the Davis Farm, near Lake Whitney. A course will be laid out as soon as practicable, and other sports bestie golf provided for. Sixty men have already signified their intention of joining the organization.

The Board of Directors of the Baltusrol Golf Club have elected the following officers and committees for the ensuing year: President, Louis P. Bayard: vice-president, John Du Fais; treasurer, John Farr; secretary, Louis Keller; captain, Henry P. Toler; Greens Committee, Henry P. Toler; Greens Committee, Henry P. Toler; Louis Keller and Parker W. Page: House Committee, Renjamin Hardwick, William P. Smith and Bruce Price; Handicap and Tournament: Committee, W. Fellows Morgan, Parker W. Page and Henry P. Toler; Finance Committee, John Farr, Adolphe De Bary and Benjamin Hardwick. In the year book of the club, which has just been issued, there is a novel feature, in the shape of a map, showing the various bleyde, carriage and trolley roads by which access may be had to the grounds. There is also a map of the new links, as well as various other interesting bits of information regarding the club. The membership roll now contains four hundred names. Bayard; vice-president, John Du Fais; treasurer,

mmittee appointed by the Ocean County Hunt and Country Club, of Lakewood, consisting of Arthur B. Claffin and Captain Albert Bradshaw, did not report on Saturday, as was expected, con-cerning the purchase of new ground. It is probable that the result of their work will be submitted ble that the result of their work will be should to the directors the latter part of this week. The club is considering the advisability of securing an additional tract of land to the east of its present links, and these men were delegated to negotiate the matter. The opinion at present seems to be somewhat against its purchase, as the new property will entail considerable expense in putting it in fit condition for play.

The plans recently accepted by the Hillside Golf Club, of Plainfield, for its new clubhouse are quite commensurate with the club's added dignity since acquiring a full eighteen-hole course. The building is to be a spacious two-story structure, of Colonial design, with broad plazzas at the front and rear. At the right of the main hall is to be the dining-At the right of the main hall is to be the diningroom, with the kitchen beyond, while on the opposite side are the women's reception and locker-rooms.
Leading from the main hall and between the two
ends of the building is to be a large reading and
reception room for members and guests. An open
fireplace at the further end will lend an added attractiveness to this portion of the house. On the
second floor are to be the men's locker-rooms, and
the sleeping apartments for members. It is expected that the work will be completed by early
summer.

The Jersey City Golf Club has applied for allied mbership in the United States Golf Association, and will probably be admitted at the March meeting of the Executive Committee. Weekly competitions are planned as soon as the season opens, and two cups have been offered, to become the personal property of the players winning them three times in succession. Workmen are now engaged in extending the links from seven to nine holes. Robert Shann has just been engaged as professional.

Following the lead of the Shinnecock Golf Club, the St. Andrews people have announced their in-tention of holding an invitation tournament this season, instead of the customary open one.

TAMSEN NOT HELD RESPONSIBLE.

IF KEEPERS THREW HAMMERS IN THE JAIL, IT

to say so before Justice Truax in the Supreme Court yesterday, throwing hammers about the corridors of the Ludlow Street Jail was one of the favorite amusements with which the keepers and the prisoners whiled away the weary hours of captivity when Sheriff Tamsen was in control. Mrs. Williams asks for \$10,000 damages because, so she says, one of the flying hammers struck her in the side when Joseph Bennett, one of the keepers, had hurled it at a clay pipe that hung from the ceiling. The woman says that she was in bed four weeks as a result of the accident, and was severely injured internally. She argues that if throwing hammers is such good sport ex-Sheriff Tamsen should be willing to pay for it.

Mrs. Williams was arrested at the instance of Anthony Comstock in January, 1896, and committed to Ludlow Street Jail on the charge of sending obscene matter through the mails. On cross-examination the woman was asked if she exercised enough care to avoid being hit by the hammer. She expressed the opinion that she was not in jail to dodge hammers. Isider Issacs, a man who was a prisoner in the jail in February, 1895, said that he saw Bennett throw the hammer, and that it struck the woman in the side.

Tracy, Bourdman & Platt, who represented the defendant, moved to dismiss the case, and Justice Truax dismissed it, on the ground that if employes in the jail did throw hammers, the Sheriff was not responsible for it. verely injured internally. She argues that

MINING IRON IN NORTHERN NEW-YORK.

ORDERS FROM FIRMS THAT ARE MAKING PLATES

and Iron Company is arranging to resume opera-tions at Lyons Mountain and Standish. Orders vania and elsewhere that have contracts with the Government for steel plates for armored vessels. From two hundred to three hundred men were formerly employed at these mines. The mines have been closed of late, owing to lack of orders. formerly employed at these mines. The mines have been closed of late, owing to lack of orders.

The company has also entered into a contract to supply the pulp mills in this section, and will employ a force of several hundred men in cutting and getting the wood on the lines of railroads running into the Adirondacks. They propose to cut sixy thousand cords. This company is one of many that are making inroads into the forests from all sides. At the present rate of cutting, every available piece of soft timber not owned by the State will disappear in less than five years.

Omaha, March 14.-The first step to the consoldation of the American and Pacific express companies has been taken. J. A. Brewster, of New-York City, late head clerk in the accounting de-York City, late need clerk in the accounting de-partment of the American company, has become the head of the chief auditing department of the Pacific. President Morsemen of the Pacific and President Burt of the Union Pacific Railroad have gone to New-York to confer with the officials of the American in regard to establishing closer re-lations between the companies.

NEW CORPORATIONS IN THIS STATE. Albany, March 14.-The following stock companies were incorporated to-day:

IN THE CYCLING WORLD.

DANGER TO WHEELMEN ON THE BRIDGE.

EVEN EXPERT WHEELMEN FIND IT DIFFICULT TO RIDE OVER THE STRUCTURE-MANY DOGS

RUNNING AT LARGE-ALLEGED LAX-ITY OF THE POLICE-NOTES

the cyclists are beginning to ride over the Brook-

AND COMMENTS. With the opening of the outdoor riding season

lyn Bridge in large numbers. It becomes more apparent each day that something must be done and done quickly for the wheelmen. Riding is should make the attempt during the busy hours of the day. For a novice or a new rider to try it is practically inviting personal injury. The wheelmen's organizations are getting anxious, and the members are beginning to ask when the Bridge officials will take some steps in the matter. An expert rider who has done some racing on the track, and one who must not only know how to handle his bicycle, but who can be more or less daring when occasion requires, made two trips over the Bridge yesterday afternoon, to see for himself if matters where as bad as they had been reported. He called at the New-York Division headquarters later in the day, and this is what he said: "I have no doubt of my ability to ride a wheel and to dodge among flying cyclists. I thought that when it came to trolley-cars and trucks that I would have an easy time of it. Well, I tried it, and I want no more of it. I suppose the Bridge officials will do nothing until several cyclists have been killed. Then, perhaps, they will get to work. I got through twice, but I had several narrow squeezes, which for an instant made my blood run cold. It was a case of cut in and out between cars and trucks all the way over, and matters were almost as bad getting back." the matter. An expert rider who has done some

Vicious dogs, mainly strays and mongrels, of all sizes and sorts, fairly line many of the suburbat roads and outlying city streets. seems to have brought them out of their winter quarters, hungry and savage. Many wheelmen were chased on Sunday, and there were some ugly falls in consequence. Cyclists must either provide themselves with ammonia guns or the regulation revolver. It seems that the police are derelict in their duty in allowing these dogs to be at large. The revised ordinance of 1897, Section 24, seems to provide for the trouble. It says that dogs on the street or public highways must be held by a rope or chain of a prescribed length. Some wheelmen are in the habit of taking their pets with them when they make short tours into the suburban districts. This is a foolish and dangerous proceeding at best, and cyclists and their dogs, under the circumstances, should be chased off the cycle paths and park driveways. themselves with ammonia guns or the regulation

Whether or not the cycle police are derelict it their duty at times is a question on which cyclists take opposite views. In the charter of the take opposite views. In the charter of the city of New-York, Chapter 378, of the laws of 1897, under the head of the Police Department, is a clause which provides punishments for impersonating an officer and for wilful neglect of duty by policemen. Under Section 339 it says: "It shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year, nor exceeding two years, or by a fine of not less than \$250, for any member of the police force to wilfully neglect to make an arrest for an offence against the law of the State or any ordinance in force in the City of New-York or for any person not a member of the police force to falsely represent himself as being such a member."

A movement is on foot among the organizations composing the Associated Cycling Clubs of Long Island to protect their club membership by filing a list of members expelled for non-payment of dues, and thus prevent the admission in any of the clubs of persons who do not fulfil their obligations. The scheme has beerived hearty indorsement and will undoubtedly be carried out.

The Tour Committee of the Bowling Green Wheelmen have completed the schedule of club runs for the coming season, and from the activity being displayed by the members this should be one of the most successful years of the club. The schedule comprises all the points of interest in and schedule comprises in the points of interest in and around New-York, New-Jersey and Pennsylvania. The season will open on April 3, and close on October 16. To the members attending the most club runs gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded, while a set of medals will be given to the three members rolling up the largest mileage. The club will conduct an open century run over the picturesque Long Island course on May 15.

Two gangs of men, with carts and horses, were the macadamizing of that thoroughfare. The men started at Jerome and tremont aves. No work has been done there in the last ten weeks, the contractors waiting until the frost was out of the ground.

It was announced yesterday that the track at Berkeley Oval would be ready by April 15.

Those who went down the cycle path, in Brooklyn, yesterday, found the trip down a fine one. A heavy wind in their faces coming back made the riding less pleasant.

The members of the Bradbury Cycle Club will listen to a lecture on March 15, on "Old and New Japan and Honolulu," by Colonel Alexander S.

Cyclists desiring to join the League of American

Wheelmen may obtain full printed information and membership blanks by sending names and addresses to the Cycling Editor of The Tribune. A GREAT CYCLING YEAR PREDICTED. CHAIRMAN MOTT OVERWHELMED WITH APPLI-

CATIONS FOR CIRCUIT DATES. Baltimore, March 14 (Special) - Chairman Mott, of the National Racing Board, said to-day that this promises to be the greatest year in the history of bicycle racing. He has changed the rules, so as to make the National Circuit races much more important affairs, yet he is deluged with applications for dates. He has not yet decided whether he will allow the promoter to select the distance in the National championship race which he runs off. There are six championship distances, the quarter, half and one-third mile, the mile and two and five

Mr. Mott is afraid that if he allowed discretion in this matter each promoter would select the one mile, and the championship would not be decided. He will make up his National Circuit list next week, and is now busy telegraphing to promoters with a view to reconciling dates. He cannot yet tell where the circuit will begin or end. He has had applications as far south as Florida and as far West as Kansas City, Mo. The application furthest to the northwest is from St. Paul, Minn. It is probable that the circuit will begin in the Southeast, as usual, and will work North, Northeast and West. Mr. Mott is sure that there will be no attempt on the part of any body of men to take the control of racing away from the League. Besides the National Circuit there will be any number of State circuit and individual meets. It is probable that on important holidays in New-York, Boston and Philadelphia two or more tracks will have bicycle race meetings on the same day. West as Kansas City, Mo. The application

SOME TURF GOSSIP.

"Nothing doing" is the watchword in the Tenderloin. The clans are gathering, and their war cry is "Loosen up" to the powers that be. From the north, south, east and west the men who "neither work nor want" are arriving in this city. barely possible that some of them desire to volunteer as camp followers, should hostilities with

It is painful to view the groups of alleged "sports" that assemble on the corners of the uptown streets which intersect Broadway, to swap opinions in regard to the possibilities of the coming racing sea-The men who are close students of racing

son. The men who are close students of racing employ men to watch every move made by the horses at the tracks in this city. Horses are systematically "touted" by experts, with the result that more information can be obtained uptown than at the tracks. Then there are trainers who derive a larger income through their abilities as "touts" than their skill as horsemen.

In England, licenses are refused to men who apply for licenses as trainers, but who pay the expenses on one or two "badge horses," as they are termed in this country.

The rules in regard to partnerships should be made more stringent and explicit. Some individual should be wholly responsible for the running of each horse that contests in a race. There are altogether too many br. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde partnerships in existence in the neighborhood.

New blood is wanted on the American turf, and some of the gargoyles and figureheads of the structure are so aged and weatherbeaten that thinking men may refrain from embarking in turf ventures, unless the old and womont fixtures are replaced by new ones.

B. F. Clyde, of Philidelphia, is likely to become an important factor on the American turf. Atheling, who was purchased by Mr. Clyde in Ireland less tall was a successful size abroad.

B. P. Clyde, of Philadelphia, is likely to become an important factor on the American turf. Atheling, who was purchased by Mr. Clyde in Ireland last fall, was a successful sire abroad. Every turfman who has seen Atheling in his new home admires his proportions and general make-up. Although Mr. Clyde prefers cross-country raing to racing on the flat, it is likely that some of Atheling's produce will cause him to become a full-fledged turfman.

James R. Keene is pleased because there are twenty-two healthy foals of 1898 at the Castleton Farm.

Visitors to the blue-grass region of Kentucky sound the praises of the yearlings sired by Kingston.

E. C. Cowdin spends much of his time travelling about the country visiting stock farms. Mr. Cowdin reports that the yearlings by Meddler are extremely promising.

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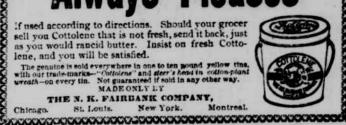
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SEVENTH REGIMENT SHOOTING.

Three shooting matches were decided at the 7th Regiment Armocy on Saturday night. The Mall, handicap and prone contests brought out a large attendance. Only members of the Veterans' Asso-ciation were allowed to compete for the Mail prize. the winner to receive the Veterans' Cup and the second man a prize valued at \$25. The cup went to Sergeant Stevens, of Company F, and the second prize was won by F. H. Clark. The following scores were made:

handicap match with a score of 64. These were the eight top scores:

The five winners in the prone class were Corporal Fowler, Ordnance Sergeant R. M. Kalloch Private A. E. Wells, Private E. M. Leask, and Pri-

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A BARK FOULED BY A SCHOONER. The schoquer Georgietta Lawrence, bound for

bark Rolf, at anchor off Quarantine, yesterday The collision carried away the schooper's foreton The collision carried away the schoolper's foretop-mast, started her bowsprii, lost her martingale, broke her port sprender and foretopmast backstay, fore her jib and started the bulwarks on the port bow. The damage to the bark was the parting of a few stays and the starting of the jibboom. A tug hauled the schooner clear and another towed her to the city for repairs.

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SHIPWRECKED SEAMEN ON THE SARATOGA

The New-York and Cuba Line steamer Saratoga which arrived yesterday from south side Cuban ports, via Nassau, had aboard Chief Officer Rich
Mary Jenness, of Bangor, Me., which was wrecked on the city for repairs.

Mary Jenness, of Bangor, Me., which was wrecked on the Jardine Banks on February 25. The Mary Jenness was hound from Clenfuegos for Delaware Breakwater with a cargo of sugar. She went ashore on the rect, and became a total loss. About two hundred and fitty hags of sugar and a portion of the vessel's sails and rigging were saved. Captain Clay remained at Clenfuegos to attend to the owners' interests. The boat was built at Brew, Me., in 1875, and registered 42 tons.

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are being asked to hear too large a part of the bur-"If the case were incurable, it would be useless

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Justice Daly, in the Supreme Court, yesterday,

companies then operating in Brooklyn.

The defendants, Mr. Logan alleges in his complaint, formed a syndicate in 1891 to purchase the of the City of Brooklyn and the

Williamsburg Gas Company, out of a total of 20,000 shares, which were of the par value of 350 each. On learning of the action of Messrs. Rockefeller and Rogers, the plaintiff says that he and his brother and John Gribbel began to purchase the

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play the Staten Island Cricket Club's team at Staten Island on April 16. An effort is to be made also to have the college boys play at Lakewood before the intercollegiate championship in May, and it is not unlikely that they will appear against a number of local clubs during the early weeks of

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